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SUBJECT: W/W(ARRESTS) SCHEDULE OF VISITS TO PRISONERS

REF: (A) STUTTGART 407; (B) USBERLIN 671

1. DEPARTMENT CONCURS FULLY IN DETAILED ANALYSIS (REF A)
WEAKNESSES "CIRCUIT RIDER" CONCEPT AS DEVELOPED IN REF B. STUTTGART'S TELEGRAM SETS FORTH THE NATURE AND FUNCTION OF THE "PRISONER OFFICER" MORE THOROUGHLY THAN DEPARTMENT WAS ABLE TO INCLUDE IN THE "ARREST HANDBOOK;. IT IS, HOWEVER, JUST THIS FUNCTION WHICH DEPARTMENT HAD IN MIND IN SETTING FORTH THE 'CASE WORKER, CONCEPT IN THE HANDBOOK. THE
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"CIRCUIT RIDER" IS ANTITHETICAL TO THE
"CASE WORKER" CONCEPT WHICH DEPARTMENT BELIEVES IS
ESSENTIAL TO EFFECTIVE PRISONER SERVICES.

2. WITH REGARD TO PARAGRAPH 3 REFTL (B), POSTS ARE
REMINDING THAT DEPARTMENT IS COMMITTED TO CONGRESS THAT
EVERY PRISONER WISHING TO BE VISITED BY A CONSULAR OFFICER

WILL BE SEEN AT LEAST MONTHLY. THUS EXCEPTIONS TO THIS REQUIREMENT MUST NECESSARILY BE RARE. NOT ONLY MUST CONDITIONS OF INCARCERATION BE GOOD, BUT PRISON NOT BEING VISITED MONTHLY MUST BE LOCATED AT SUCH A DISTANCE FROM

THE POST AS TO MAKE MONTHLY VISITATION IMPRACTICAL.

3. IN THIS REGARD, CAREFUL AND REGULAR MONITORING OF PRISON CONDITIONS ALLOWS POSTS TO BE IN A POSITION TO IDENTIFY POTENTIAL PROBLEMS AND ALLEVIATE THEM BEFORE THEY HAVE A CHANCE TO DEVELOP. MOREOVER, FREQUENT AND REGULAR VISITATION CAN SERVE TO INHIBIT AMCITS IMPRISONED ABROAD FROM EITHER MANUFACTURING OR EXAGGERATING COMPLAINTS.

4. DEPARTMENT NOT RPT NOT AWARE OF HAVING SOLICITED REQUESTS FOR LESS FREQUENT VISITATION SCHEDULE AS SUGGESTED IN BERLIN 671. ARREST HANDBOOK, PAGE 9, STATES "IT IS EXPECTED THAT IN MOST CASES VISITS WILL BE ON A MONTHLY BASIS UNLESS OTHERWISE JUSTIFIED. POSTS SHOULD BE ALERT, HOWEVER, TO THE NECESSITY OF MORE FREQUENT VISITATION WHERE CONDITIONS OF INCARCERATION REQUIRE IT. IN ANY CASE WHERE A POST BELIEVES THAT VISITS LESS FREQUENT THAN ONCE A MONTH ARE JUSTIFIED BY LOCAL CONDITIONS, THE CONSULAR OFFICER MUST OBTAIN DEPARTMENT CONCURRENCE." AS INDICATED ABOVE (PARAGRAPH 2) "LOCAL CONDITIONS" ARE DEFINED AS A SYSTEM WHICH IN PRACTICE ACCORDS RESPECT TO THE INDIVIDUAL'S FULL LEGAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS COMBINED WITH REMOTENESS OF THE PRISON FROM THE

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5. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES SINCERE INTEREST OF POSTS IN GERMANY IN DEVELOPING RATIONAL AND RESPONSIVE PRISONER SERVICES PROGRAM.
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